

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

v.

NL INDUSTRIES, INC., et al.,

Defendants,

and

CITY OF GRANITE CITY, ILLINOIS,

LAFAYETTE H. HOCHULI, and

DANIEL M. McDOWELL,

Intervenor-Defendants.

C.A. No. 91-CV578-JLF

UNITED STATES' APPLICATION FOR LEAVE TO FILE
A BRIEF IN EXCESS OF 20 PAGES

Plaintiff, the United States, respectfully requests leave to file its Brief For a Ruling on the Appropriate Scope and Standard of Review of Agency Action and to Strike Affidavits and Documents in excess of 20 pages, as required by Local Rule 5(c).

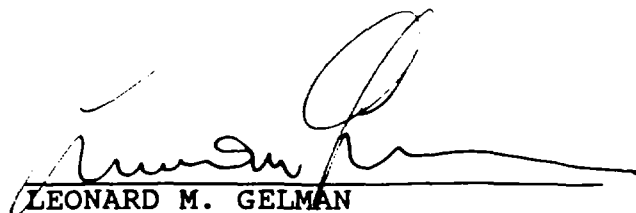
In its brief, the United States describes the legal framework for judicial review in this matter, and responds to the Defendants' claims that discovery and evidentiary hearings be permitted.

In order to provide adequate discussion of these issues, the United States respectfully requests leave to file the attached brief of 48 pages.

Respectfully submitted,

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